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SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.
Authorized Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £500,000

Head Office—Hongkong.

Court of Directors.
D. Gillies, Esq., Chairman, Esq.
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A. B. McKean, Acting Chief Manager.

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Palmer & Co.
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Co.
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G. W. F. PLAYFAIR, Manager.

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Hui Fu Yuen, Esq., Lim Kwan King, Esq.
Ma Kie Tchoong, Esq., Chu Ming Siang, Esq.
Tong Kwei Sang, Esq.
J. D. THORNBURN, Manager pro tem.

THE HEAD OFFICE now receives Money and
deposits and makes advances on Goods in
neutral Godowns, and upon other securities, on
terms to be had on application.
Hongkong, 27th August, 1891. [1166]

**THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK
CORPORATION, LIMITED.**
AUTHORISED CAPITAL £2,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL £80,000

Head Office..... 40, Threadneedle Street,
West End Office..... 25, Cockspur Street.

**BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN
AND THE COLONIES.**

THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT,
Bills and Sells Bills OF EXCHANGE,
ISSUES LETTERS OF CREDIT, forwards Bills for
COLLECTION, and Transacts Banking and
Agency Business generally, on terms to be had
on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:
Fixed for 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.
On CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS
3 per Cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance.
E. W. RUTTER,
Manager. [1167]

Insurances.

**THE FUNDS
OF THE**

STANDARD LIFE OFFICE
ARE invested entirely within the British
Dominions and are thus free from the
complications which might arise in time of war.
They now amount to Seven Millions Sterling,
and have increased 50 per cent in the last 15
years.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong.
[1168]

**SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE
INSURANCE COMPANY OF
NEW ZEALAND.**

THE UNDERSIGNED are prepared to accept
FIRE and MARINE INSURANCES on
favourable terms.
Current rates and a guaranteed Bonus equal
to that paid by the local Office.
GEORGE R. STEVENS & Co.,
No. 2, Queen's Road, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1891. [1169]

GENERAL NOTICE.
**THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).**
CAPITAL, TAELS 500,000; £1,250,000.
RESERVE FUND £1,500,000.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq., LO YUEN MOON, Esq.
LOU TAO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.
MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES in all parts of the
world.

HEAD OFFICE 5, PRINCE STREET,
Hongkong, 17th December, 1885. [1170]

NOTICE.
**THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY
LIMITED.**
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE
No. 7, PRINCE STREET, WEST
Hongkong, 1st February, 1885. [1171]

Consignees.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
S.S. "CARMARTHENSHIRE,"
FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, LONDON,
PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed
that all goods are being landed at their
respective Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at
Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves
delivery may be obtained.
Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice
to the contrary be given before Noon.
No claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 24th inst. will be subject
to sale.

All claims against the steamer must be
presented to the Underwriter on or before the
24th inst., or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st September, 1891. [1172]

Intimations.

**THE CHINA BORNEO COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS will be held at the Offices of Messrs.
Gibb, Livingston & Co., No. 6, Ice House Lane,
on SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at 12.30 p.m.,
for the purpose of Confirming the Resolutions
passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting
held on the 10th inst., viz:—

1.—That the Company be wound up
voluntarily and that John Wheeler of Hong-
kong be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator
for the purposes of such winding up.

2.—That the draft Agreement submitted
to this Meeting and expressed to be made
between this Company and its Liquidator of
the one part, and the Hongkong Borneo
Company, Ltd., of the other part, be and the
same is hereby approved, and that the said
Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized to
enter into an Agreement with such new
Company (when incorporated) in the terms
of the said draft, and to carry the same into
effect.

On the above Resolutions being passed the
proceedings as to the winding up of the Com-
pany, and the powers conferred on the Liquidator
will be proceeded with and exercised under
the provisions of Section CLXIX of Ordinance
No. 1 of 1865 of the Ordinances of Hongkong.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 10th September, 1891. [1173]

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

THE Ordinary General MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in the above Com-
pany will be held at the Company's Office, on
SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at 11.30 a.m.,
for the purpose of receiving the Report of the
General Manager, together with a Statement of
Accounts to 30th June, 1891.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 26th
September, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 14th September, 1891. [1174]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.
NOTICE.

AT an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the HONGKONG
JOCKEY CLUB held in the City Hall on
Friday, the 19th September instant, the following
Special Resolution was submitted to the Mem-
bers of the Hongkong Jockey Club and passed
unanimously, viz:—

"That Mr. ROBERT FRASER-SMITH shall be
expelled from the Hongkong Jockey Club
under Rule 40."

An EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEET-
ING of the HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB to
confirm the above Special Resolution will be
held in the City Hall on SATURDAY, the 26th
September instant, at 4 p.m.

By Order of the Stewards,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 12th September, 1891. [1175]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of
the above Club will be held in the CITY
HALL, on FRIDAY, the 2nd October, at
4 p.m.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 12th September, 1891. [1176]

**SELAMA TIN MINING COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE Second Ordinary General MEETING
of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the
Office of the Company's Room No. 6, Connaught
House, on SATURDAY, the 10th October, at
10 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors and Statement of
Accounts to the 30th June, 1891.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 27th September to
10th October, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. HUTTON POTTS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1891. [1177]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

**TO AERATED WATER MANUFAC-
TURING AND OTHERS.**

NOTICE is hereby given that all AERATED
WATER BOTTLES and SYPHONS
bearing the Company's Name and Trade Mark
are the property of the said Company, and that any Manu-
facturer using the same, or any Person or Persons
other than the Customers of the Firm found in
possession of the same will be proceeded against
as the law directs.

A. H. MANCELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 18th August, 1891. [1178]

BOARD AND LODGING.
VACANCIES for GENTLEMEN
BOARDERS, at 70, Wyndham Street.
Apply to
Mrs. SWANSTON,
Hongkong, 10th September, 1891. [1179]

DENTISTRY.
**FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP
AND
MODERATE FEES.**
M. R. WONG TAI-FONG,
Dentist,
(Formerly styled "Apprentice," and latterly
assistant to "Dr. Rogers"),
HAS REMOVED
TO
THE BANK BUILDINGS,
QUEEN'S ROAD,
(Above Messrs. Dalziel Bros. of China, Ltd.).
CONSULTATION FREE.
Hongkong, 27th July, 1891. [1180]

**HONGKONG TIMBER
YARD, WANCHAI.**
OR PINE SPARS and LUMBER
Always on hand.
L. MALLORY,
Hongkong, 24th June, 1891. [1181]

Intimations.

CRUICKSHANK & CO., LD.,
FAMILY AND DISPENSING CHEMISTS,
and
Commission Agents.

JUST LANDED A FRESH LOT OF TOBACCOES.
"OLD RIP," "POSTILLION CAVENTISH,"
"RICHMOND GEM," "WILSON'S BIRD'S EYE,"
"OUR BOYS," "THREE CASTLES,"
"VERGINIA FLAKE," and
"CARTE BLANCHE,"
and
"GOLDEN CLOUD."

CIGARS.
Companie do General's most popular brands, in good condition always in stock.
Hongkong, 11th August, 1891. [1182]

W. BREWER
JUST RECEIVED
GENT'S RUSSIAN LEATHER BOOTS, in all sizes.
GENT'S RUSSIAN LEATHER SHOES.

SOLID SOLED TENNIS SHOES.
MOROCCO LEATHER SLIPPERS.

DANCING-PUMPS, New Style with Silk tops.
W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1891. [1183]

SHOOTING SEASON, 1891.
FOR SALE.
E. LEVY'S GREEN, BLUE and BROWN CARTRIDGE CASES.
E. LEVY'S NEW DAMP-PROOF CARTRIDGE CASES.
PIGON and WILKS ALLIANCE POWDER.
FELT, CLOTH and GREASE-PROOF WADES.
NEWCASTLE CHILLED and ORDINARY SHOT.
GUN IMPLEMENTS and SPORTING SUNDRIES.
SPORTING CARTRIDGES, loaded to order.
DOUBLE BARRELLED FOWLING PIECES.
MARTINI-HENRI RIFLES, WINCHESTER REPEATING CARBINES.
SMITH & WESSON'S REVOLVERS.
SHOOTING SUITS, STOCKINGS, HATS, BOOTS, &c.
LANE CRAWFORD & CO.
Hongkong, 10th August, 1891. [1184]

KELLY & WALSH, LD.
CHEAP SENSATIONAL AND POPULAR STORIES.

A PRIVATE DETECTIVE—Detective J.
D. Shea.
\$5,000 Reward—A. F. Pinkerton.
File 114—Emile Gaboriau.
Joseph Prickett, The Scotland Yard Detective,
by Inspector Murray.
One-Handed Fugitive—Licut. F. Laughlin.
The Stolen Will—Myron Pinkerton.
The Mail Robbery—James E. Stewart.
Dyke Darrel, The Railroad Detective—A. F.
Pinkerton.
A Sharp Night's Work—J. Franklin Fitts.
The Whitechapel Murders—A. F. Pinkerton.
A Life for a Life—do.
The Runaway Wife—Capt. Simon O'Donnell.
The Criminal Queen—Ernest A. Young.
The Detective's Dilemma—Emile Gaboriau.
Link by Link—Nathan D. Urger.
Detective against Detective—Morris Redwing.
Fred. Bennett, The Mormon Detective—U. S.
Marshal Bennett.
The forged check—F. Gardner.
The Great Cronin Mystery.
The severed head—F. Du Boisgobey.
Tracked to Death—Morris Redwing.

The Island Mystery—Lieut. Joseph Kipling.
The Stolen Laces—Doris Simmons.
The Conspirators—Ronald Rivers.
Marked for life—A. F. Pinkerton.
A Darling Horse—Patrick Ryan.
Saved at the Scaffold—A. F. Pinkerton.
The Scarlet Handkerchief—Le Jenly.
The Conjuror—Frank Pinkerton.
A Woman's Revenge—Myron Pinkerton.
Vegetables—Charles Kingsley.
Westward Ho—do.
The Great Trunk Tragedy—Morris Redwing.
Falsely Accused—do.
The Robber King—Patrick D. Tyre.
With Honor and Pathos—Ell Perkins.
In the heart of the Storm—Maxwell Gray.
The tales of Chloee—George Meredith.
American Notes—Rudyard Kipling.
A Social Departure—Sara Jeannette Duncan.
Belgium, Boats, and all Timber underground.
Eric Brighteyes—Rider Haggard.
The light that failed—Rudyard Kipling.
Pleasant tales from the hills—do.
Tourmaline's Time Cheques—F. Anstey.

W. POWELL & CO.
ALL NEW GOODS.
ALL NEW GOODS.
NOW ON VIEW.
Hongkong, 12th September, 1891. [1185]

CARMICHAEL & CO., LD.
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS—TOBACCO AND CIGAR IMPORTERS.
GENERAL STOREKEEPERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS.

SCIENTIFIC BOOKS—NAUTICAL ENGINEERING, and ELECTRICAL.
OUTFITTING—A select, but inexpensive Stock.
SMOKERS' REQUISITES in great variety.
AUSTRALIAN, NEW ZEALAND and CANADIAN DAIRY PRODUCE.

CARMICHAEL & CO., LTD.
18, Praya Central, Hongkong.
[1186]

ROBERT LANG & CO.
NEW HATS.
BLACK, GREY AND BROWN FELTS
SINGLE TERAI HATS
(ALL SHAPES).
STRAW AND PITH HATS.
Hongkong, 5th June, 1891. [1187]

MOUTRIE, ROBINSON & CO.
(From 7, Broadwood & Sons and Collard & Collard).
THE PIANO, ORGAN and MUSIC-WAREHOUSE,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL,
—and at London, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama.

PIANOS, SPECIALLY MADE FOR THIS CLIMATE AND GUARANTEED.
MONTHLY PAYMENTS OR HIRE.
TUNING REPAIRS.
Instruments made equal to new. Large experience, all Machinery, trained men and Work guaranteed.

OLD PIANOS TAKEN IN EXCHANGE.
10 years extensive experience in China, and the only firm of trained and practical people
devoting themselves entirely to the Music and Musical Instrument Trade.
[1188]

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.
NOTICE.

THE KOWLOON RANGES, being required
by the men of the Navy, from 21st to 24th
instant, inclusive, will not be available for
practice during that period, except before 3 p.m.
The Weekly Competitions will be resumed on
SATURDAY, the 27th inst.

J. ANDERSON,
Acting Hon. Secretary,
H.K.R.A.
Hongkong, 21st September, 1891. [1189]

**TO GENTLEMEN OR FAMILIES
RETURNING TO ENGLAND
IN SEPTEMBER.**

A MAN of good address would be glad to
give his services as General Factor for
a 3rd class passage; capital sailor, fond of
Children, good correspondent, in fact will do any-
thing for a passage home, first class references.
Apply to
E. R. G.,
c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office.
Hongkong, 25th August, 1891. [1190]

ONE BOX OF CLARKE'S B. & P. PILLS
is warranted to cure all discharges from
the Urinary Organs, in either sex (acquired or
constitutional), Gravel and Pains in the Back,
Guaranteed free from Mercury. Sold in Boxes
4s. 6d. each, by all Chemists and Patent Medi-
cine Vendors throughout the World. Proprietors,
The Lincoln and Midland Counties Drug Com-
pany, Lincoln, England. [1191]

FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD.

A REWARD of \$500 will be paid to any
person supplying information that will
lead to the discovery and identification of a
Chinese girl named LI AFAT, who, in or about
the month of September, 1888, was residing at
Francis Street, Wanchai, in the house of
MINHINNITT, an overseer in the Public
Works Department, under the supervision
of a Chinese kept woman named WONG
NGAN.

LI AFAT is about 10 years of age, and
according to a declaration made by WONG
AH NGAN at the Magistrate's, she was returned
to her mother about three years ago, presumably
to some village in the Kwantung Province,
where it is stated she died a short time after-
wards.

On the other hand JOHN MINHINNITT
deposed on oath in the Supreme Court that LI
AFAT was sold by WONG AH NGAN and that
he was present in his own house when the
purchase money was paid; and it has since been
reported that the girl was taken to Singapore for
immoral purposes.

A Reward of \$150 will be paid to any person
who shall produce reliable evidence, showing
that LI AFAT was returned to her mother, in or
about September, 1888, and afterwards died as
alleged.

Apply to
THE EDITOR,
The Hongkong Telegraph.
Hongkong, 25th August, 1891. [1192]

**CARBOLINEUM AVENARIUS,
(REGISTERED).**

A N ANTISEPTIC PAINT for the Preserva-
tion of Wood, Walls, Ropes and Ship's
Tackle. May be applied to Beams, Floors, Walls,
Ceilings, Wooden Ornament, Eaves, Roofs,
Wooden Sheds, Farmers' and Gardeners' Imple-
ments, Carriage Parts, Stables, Gates,
Bridges, Boats, and all Timber underground.
Effectually excludes all dampness from walls
painted with it and entirely prevents the com-
bustion and decay of both stone and bricks.
Plaster and decay of both stone and bricks.
Plaster and decay of both stone and bricks.

Whites ants do not touch wood painted with
Carbolineum Avenarius.
Used during the last 14 years with the utmost
success, as proved by numerous Testimonials
from living authorities.
Sold in casks of about 450 lbs. net. Price
8s. 6d. per lb.

For further particulars, apply to
SCHLEE & Co.,
Sole Agents,
No. 15 Stanley Street.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1886. [1193]

G. FALCONER & CO.,
**WATCH and CHRONOMETER MANU-
FACTURERS and JEWELLERS.**
**NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,
CHARTS and BOOKS.**
No. 48, Queen's Road Central. [1194]

NOTICE.

**HONGKONG & WHAMPOA
DOCK COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

SHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS
are respectfully informed, that, if upon
their arrival in this Harbour some of the
COMPANY'S FOREMEN should be at hand,
ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the HEAD
OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive
prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found
necessary, communication with the Underwriter
is requested, when immediate steps will be taken
to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES
Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th August, 1885. [1195]

To be Let.

**THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

TO LET.
AT KOWLOON.

A FEW HOUSES in KNUTSFORD TER-
RACE containing 5 Rooms each and
Bath-rooms, Tennis Courts, Healthy situation.
Cheap Rent.

Apply to
**THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
& AGENCY CO., LTD.**
Hongkong, 6th August, 1891. [1196]

TO LET.
SHOP in Pender's Street, presently occupied
by Mr. HARRIS.

Also
4 ROOMS on First Floor, suitable for office.
Apply to
CRUICKSHANK & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 4th August, 1891. [1197]

Shipping.

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCOW.
THE Company's Steamship

"HAIPHONG,"
Captain Harris, will be despatched for the
above Ports TO-MORROW, the 25th instant, at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1891. [1198]

**FOR SINGAPORE, SOURABAYA AND
SAMARANG.**
THE Steamship

"TETARTOS,"
Captain Breitburg, will be despatched for the
above Ports on SATURDAY, the 26th instant,
at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GEORGE R. STEVENS & Co.,
Hongkong, 23rd September, 1891. [1199]

**EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND
ADELAIDE.**
(Calling at PORT DARWIN, and QUEENSLAND
Ports, and taking through Cargo to
NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)
THE Steamship

"AIRLIE,"
Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the
above Ports on SATURDAY, the 26th inst., at
4 p.m.

This well-known steamer is specially fitted for
passengers, and has large cooling Chambers,
thus ensuring a supply of Fresh Meats, Milk,
&c., throughout the voyage.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 17th September, 1891. [1200]

**THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).
THE Company's Steamship

"ESMERALDA,"
Captain Taylor, will be despatched for the
above Port on SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at
4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 23rd September, 1891. [1201]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR HAVRE, LONDON AND HAMBURG.
THE Steamship

Captain Brown, will be despatched as above
on or about WEDNESDAY, the 30th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 19th September, 1891. [1202]

**STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI
AND KOBE.**
(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)
THE F. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"VERONA,"
Captain F. H. Seymour, will leave for the above
places on FRIDAY, the 2nd October, at
Noon.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 21st September, 1891. [1203]

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.
THE F. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"ROHILLA,"
Captain C. H. S. Topp, R.N.R., will have
quick despatch for the above port after her
arrival here with the Outward Mail.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 21st September, 1891. [1204]

To be Let.

TO LET,
WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.
THE FIRST FLOOR of No. 18, PRAYA
CENTRAL, splendidly suited for SHIPPING
OFFICES, having a commanding view over the
entire Harbour. Rent \$50 per month.
Apply to the Manager,
CARMICHAEL & CO., LIMITED,
18, Praya Central.
Hongkong, 30th July 1891. [1205]

TO LET.
HOUSES at the Peak, and at "BELLIOS
TERRACE,"
ROOMS and SHOP in "BRICKFIELD
ARCADE," Queen's Road.
GODOWNS in Duddell Street.
HOUSE No. 31, "WEST VILLA," Pokfulam

that it might be successfully used in vessels specially arranged for the purpose. Among the advantages of oil fuel is the immense saving in storage room and in weight carried, decrease in number of stokers needed, and the fact that a given weight of oil will make nearly twice as much steam as the same weight of coal. In addition is the absence of smoke, and saving of time and labor in cleaning grates and disposing of ashes. Among the disadvantages are the danger of explosion, the cost of the oil and the lack of supply stations for our war vessels abroad.

The list of advantages and disadvantages seem to be in favor of the former. The danger of explosion might be greatly reduced, and the cost seems to be more than counterbalanced by the saving in room and labor. As far as supply stations are concerned, the same objection can be made with regard to coal. For war vessels, where coal is not so great an object as with commercial vessels, the possibilities that oil offers are manifestly many. Yet there is still an element of uncertainty that leaves the matter one of experiment. But it ought not to remain there. Enough of advantages are promised to warrant the risk and expense of several trials, and it is expected that these will be made, if not by our own government, then by England or Russia. If oil should come into use as a substitute for coal in war vessels, its use for fuel in commercial vessels will undoubtedly follow. —*New York Maritime Register.*

PROGRESS OF SCIENCE.

Electrical science has made a greater advance in the last twenty years than in all the 600 historic years preceding.

Experiments made by Austrian military engineers with the new explosive, crasite, show that it has an explosive power twice that of dynamite.

Scientific men rely almost entirely upon the regularity of the motion of the moon for fixing and determining dates among the people of earlier civilization.

Dentists find that the electric light is particularly serviceable in discovering the form of decay known as white caries, which is ordinarily difficult of detection.

A new food substance made by extracting the embryos of the wheat grain is said to contain twice as large a proportion of nitrogen as meat. It is called fromentine.

The well that is being bored at Wheeling in the interest of science has reached a depth of three-fourths of a mile. Progress is being made at the rate of about ten feet a day.

The zinc-tannin process of preparing wood to resist decay is proving a great success. It hardens the wood and makes it much more useful, especially when used for railroad ties.

The largest dam of any kind in the Southern Hemisphere is that at Beclabito, South Australia. It is built of concrete, has a capacity of 800,000,000 gallons, and cost \$385,000.

For reasons of economy in cost, swiftness of construction and saving of space in buildings requiring tall chimneys, the material of construction now used is steel, with fire-brick and tile lining.

A Frenchman has invented an improved method of telegraphy, so that it is practicable to transmit 150 words per minute on a single wire. The message when delivered from the machine is type-written.

The latest plan to improve the draught of the engines of ocean steamers is to increase the height of the smoke-pipes. The new steamer Scot of the Cape Mail line is provided with pipes 250 feet high above the grates.

Very satisfactory results are now being obtained by some of the English paper-manufacturers in bleaching paper by electricity, the process rendering the paper perfectly white, without the use of the injurious alkali.

A New York Jeweler has hit upon a good plan for preventing robberies in his store. It is an electric arrangement for closing and locking the street door, which is operated by a push button behind the counter. It will also unlock the door.

The judicial authorities in Germany are preparing a report in which they favor electricity as a means of putting murderers to death. The French scientific journals also have ventured to prophesy that this method will supersede the guillotine in the next century.

The tunnel that will connect Butler Valley, Penn., with the bottom of the mammoth Eberly, will be one of the greatest engineering feats of the century. It will open an almost inexhaustible supply of coal, and will serve as a drain for all the collieries in that vicinity.

Steam-pipes have been made in England from the tannic fiber. This material is subjected to tremendous hydraulic pressure and, having the property of being unaffected by moisture, will neither shrink nor swell, besides being a non-conductor of heat. The pipes are said to have a tensile strength twice that of steel pipes.

Machines for opening and cleaning cotton have recently been improved by an automatic feeding apparatus, applied to the feed apron, and by means of which one man can tend two machines when being fed with raw or bale cotton easier than he could heretofore tend one. A large amount of seeds and leaf is extracted by this device.

The high price of coal on Mexican railroads has resulted in the adoption of a novel type of compound engine on locomotives. The high-pressure cylinder is contained in the low-pressure cylinder, and a saving of 25 per cent in coal is obtained with only a little increase in weight.

The Atchison, Kan. *Chiles* says that Dr. B. G. Colver of that city is the proprietor of a vine, which he has christened *potomatin*, that will grow potatoes under the ground, in the usual fashion, and bear tomatoes as does the tomato plant, at the top. This is asking people to believe a good deal.

By a novel device heavy guns can now be aimed and fired with the greatest accuracy, without exposing the gunners and without their even seeing the object to be fired at. The principle used is that of so training the gun as to cause the object to be fired at to be reflected upon a screen at the rear of the gun.

There is said to be sixteen species of American trees the wood of which, when, well seasoned, will sink into water. The heaviest of these is black iron-wood, which is 30 per cent heavier than water. A species of oak grows in Texas and New Mexico which when green will sink almost as quickly as iron.

BITS OF INFORMATION.

Crabs chew their food with their legs. There are 1,100,000 people in Liberia. The first postage stamps appeared in 1849.

Broad Street in Philadelphia is 113 feet wide. "Pittsburg" was named after William Pitt in 1788.

"Pittsburg" was abolished in the British Colonies in 1853.

A "Modern History" begins with the sixteenth century.

The moon is equal to 334,000,000,000,000,000 candles.

There are 1,000,000 French Canadians in the United States.

The Vatican contains 208 staircases and 1,100 different rooms.

France has about 150,000 miles of Macadamized roads.

The Sandwich Islanders' alphabet has only twelve letters.

Pope Sixtus in the fourth century, forbade priests to marry.

The United States Army numbers 27,190 men, including 2170 officers.

The most eastern point in the United States is Quoddy Head, Maine.

The true meaning of the word Illinois is now said to be "the plains."

Only 9 per cent of those engaged in war are killed on the field of battle.

Metal mirrors are now produced that reflect as well as those made of glass.

An English statistician estimates the world's indebtedness at \$150,000,000,000.

Plants grow faster between 4 and 6 a.m. than at any other time during the day.

A picture of President Jackson is on the \$10,000 note. You may never see it.

Frogs, toads and serpents never take food but that which they are satisfied is alive.

In all their wars, the British have won the splendid average of 82 per cent of the battles.

The largest railway depot in the world is at Birmingham, England. It covers eleven acres. You cannot count a trillion. It would take over nine thousand years.

One horse-power is the ability to lift 33,000 pounds one foot a minute.

Some elephants can draw fifteen tons, lift ten cwt., and carry on their backs three tons.

Maine, North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa and Kansas are the American Prohibition States.

More than 40 per cent of the white inmates of the United States almshouses are of foreign birth.

The Washington Monument is 555 feet high. The City Hall will be 557 feet 4 inches in height.

In 1865 the United States had 1,687 ships on the Navy list, the greatest and strongest fleet in its history.

The Mississippi, joined with the Missouri, 4,300 miles is the longest river in the world. The Amazon is 3,500 miles in length.

A tailor says that few men have evenly-balanced shoulders, the right almost invariably being lower than the left.

A flea can jump over a barrier 500 times his own height. At that rate a man could jump over a wall nearly a mile high.

In China they naturally take to water. There are more ducks in the Chinese Empire than in all the world outside of it.

A new substitute for ivory has been invented by a Norwegian. It is called jaccite and is made from skimmed milk. It will take any coloring.

The great telescope of Lord Rosse has a speculum six feet in diameter and fifty-five feet focus.

There are 41,050 names in New York city beginning with the letter S, while the letter Z lays claim to only nine.

New York has a copper house. Scientists believe the time not far distant when houses will be built of aluminum.

There are known to be 200 cities in the world with populations of over one hundred thousand persons each.

There are 720 women ordained or licensed to preach in the United States. It is not many years since there was not one.

The smallest known insect, the *platanus palmarum*, a parasite of the ichneumon, is but one-thirtieth of an inch in length.

According to unofficial figures there were 144,000 Irish in the Federal armies during the civil war in America, and 176,000 Germans.

It is estimated that at least \$5,000,000 of the U. S. Government's paper money, supposed to be in circulation, has been lost or destroyed.

The United States, including Alaska, has an area of 602,990 square miles, and without Alaska, 3,045,000. Australia's area is 2,971,127.

Straight streets are unknown in China. They are purposely made crooked to confuse Satan, as the Chinese believe the devil travels in a straight line.

The number of people in the different races is estimated to be: Caucasian, 600,000,000; Mongolian, 600,000,000; black, 350,000,000; copper-colored, 17,000,000.

The tomato may be traced back to the sixteenth century, and although it is mentioned since then by several writers, it did not become a marketable edible till 1829.

With one or two trifling exceptions, the submarine cables of the world, which stretch over 120,000 nautical miles, and have cost \$200,000,000, are of British construction.

On the summit of Ben Monond may be seen the smallest tree that grows in Great Britain. It is known as the dwarf willow, and is, when mature, only about two inches in height.

The largest perfect diamond in the world is how the "Imperial," that was exhibited at the Paris Exposition last year. It is valued at 5,000,000.

The catacombs of Rome contain the remains of about 6,000,000 human beings, and those of Paris about 3,000,000. The latter were formerly stone quarries.

The first railroad to carry passengers was the Stockton, England, and Darlington Company in 1825. The first railroad in the United States was in operation the following year.

Missouri is nearly as big as all New England. Within its limits are found such places as California, Nevada, Mexico, as well as Oregon, Washington, Texas and Scotland.

Montana is larger than the Empire of Turkey. Texas is larger than the whole Austrian Empire by 50,000 square miles, and New Mexico is larger than Great Britain and Ireland together.

Crime is more common in single life than in married life. In the former 33 in every 100,000 are guilty, while only 12 married men of the same group, have gravely broken the laws.

Some land in Paris has been sold at the rate of \$2,000,000 per acre; some in London for that would net \$5,000,000 per acre, and some in New York for a sum equal to \$8,000,000 per acre.

Intimations.

NEW GOODS JUST TO HAND.

CARPETS.
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Although whales grow to enormous size, sometimes eighty feet and even ninety feet long, the rostrum is so small that it cannot swallow a bike as large as a tea-biscuit. This applies to the common whale; the sperm whale has a mouth large enough to swallow a whale.

The Japanese language is said to contain 60,000 words, every one of which requires a different symbol. It is quite impossible for one man to learn the entire language, and a well-educated Japanese is familiar with only about 10,000 words.

Taking the recent census as a basis, the New Orleans *Times-Democrat* figures out that of the white population of the United States 33 per cent only are English, 20 per cent German, 15 per cent Irish, 4 per cent Latin, 3 per cent Scandinavian, and 3 per cent Slav.

The various forms of leave-taking have a more special significance than is generally awarded to them. "Adieu" signifies "To God I commend you." "Good-by" is a contraction of "God be with you," while "Farewell" means "Be happy," or, more literally, "May you journey well."

THE WESTERN EDITOR.

I've bin a-runnin' on the editor I see, That came from 'way back yonder, on a sort of sambores.

A lot o' well-fed fellers, wearin' hifalutin' clothes, An' 'tollable good-lookin', fur as manly beauty, beauty goes.

An' I find myself contrastin' their condition with the boys That hold the frontier sentiment in sort o' equivoise.

The Arizona Kicker brand, whose brainy bugle toots, When the musical six-shooter robs the courts o' libel suits.

Back East opinion architects have nothing else to do, But write an' think, an' think an' write 'bout everything but a West.

But in the free an' easy West, across the dreary plains, The bulk o' editorial work is done outside o' brains.

The editor is Coroner an' Justice o' the Peace, An' makes our legal papers from a last will to a lease.

Umpires the dog fights of his town, the two or four-legged sort, And acts as final referee in all degrees o' sport.

He's lookout fur a faro game, an' o'n'a takes a trick O' practical o' medicine when anybody's sick.

He plays a nifty pool game (assisted by his sleeve), Laughs with the people in their joys an' grieves, With them as grieve.

He allers makes the speeches on the Foth day O' July, An' plays a paragon's hand when there's a nuptial knot to tie.

An' now an' then contracts to do some practical law, When either party wants a man 'at allings a hefty law.

His sanctum table allers acts a facin' to the door, So's when an angry citizen comes smellin' arter pore.

He ain't got no advantage, an' kin seldom git the drop On the publisher an' editor an' owner o' the shop.

He wears his britches in his boots an' never combs his hair, Except fur leg's holiday or extra big affair.

An' thinks a suchy collar is a mark o' servitude, An' wearin' socks excusable in nothin' but a duds.

He's prominent at lynchin's, calls the figgers at a dance, Works a minin' speculation every time he gets a chance.

Keeps a pile o' runcin' horses fur the Territorial fair, An' never shirks at meetin' when he's asked to lead in prayer.

So I find myself contrastin' his condition with the men Who preach out to the nation with a stubby-pointed pen.

An' he seems to be more usefeller a dogmatization sight Than them 'at don't do nothin' top o' God's green earth but write.

—*Capt. Jack Crawford in St. Paul Pioneer-Press.*

SCOTT'S Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphites, is prescribed by Physicians all over the world. It is a remarkable remedy for Consumption, Scrophula, and wasting diseases; and very palatable. Read the following:—"I have much pleasure in stating that I have tried Scott's Emulsion in a case of impoverished blood, with scrophulous disease, and found it to be a very efficient preparation. It was taken without the least difficulty."—A. Temple Perkins, 22, Lordship Park, Stoke Newington, N. Any Chemist can supply it.—*Advt.*

Today's Advertisements.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL THE Steamship

"GUY MANNERING," Captain Ford, will sail for the above Ports on or about the 5th October.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 24th September, 1891. [119]

Today's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

THE WILLARD OPERA COMPANY

WILL RE-OPEN FOR A SHORT SEASON, on

SATURDAY, the 3rd October, In the Great Farical Comedy,

DR. BILL, as played at the Avenue Theatre, London with such enormous success.

PRICES, Dress Circle and Central Stalls, \$3.00

Stalls, 2.00 Back Seats, 1.00 Military and Navy half-price to back Seats only.

Doors open at 8.30, to commence at 9 p.m. Box Plan now open at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH'S LIMITED.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI. THE Company's Steamship.

"HAILOONG," Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 27th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, 24th September, 1891. [1247]

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above named Lodge will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on THURSDAY, the 27th October, at 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. Hongkong, 24th September, 1891. [1245]

DELIGENTIA LODGE OF INSTRUCTION.

THE FIRST REGULAR MEETING of the above named Lodge will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY, the 29th instant, at 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. Hongkong, 22nd September, 1891. [1246]

Intimations.

W. S. MARTEN, ARTIST DECORATOR, 2, DUDDELL STREET, HONGKONG.

NOTICE. JAYES SANITARY COMPOUNDS COMPANY, LIMITED.

JAYES WOOD PRESERVER OR ANTISEPTIC PAINT.

THE Undersigned have this day been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the sale of these PERFECT DISINFECTANTS, and are prepared to supply quantities to suit purchasers, at Wholesale Prices, Extra Special terms for Shipping and large Orders.

Sir ROBERT RAWLINSON, C.B., C.E., Chief Sanitary Engineer, Local Government Board, London, says:—"It is the best Disinfectant in use."

W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co., Bank Buildings, Hongkong, 19th June, 1888. [12]

CHS. J. GAUPP & CO., CHRONOMETER, WATCH, AND CLOCK MAKERS, JEWELLERS, SILVER SMITHS, AND OPTICIANS.

CHARTS AND BOOKS NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS.

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CANDIDATES prepared for the MARINE BOARD EXAMINATIONS, Author of the "NEW NAVIGATION," and as an "Arithmetic" for Engineers, &c. Hongkong, 7th February, 1891. [1246]

Occidental and Oriental Steamship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. Oceanic, Saturday 26th Sept. Gaelic, Tuesday 29th Oct. Baltic, Thursday 1st Nov.

THE Steamship "OCEANIC" will be despatched for San Francisco, via Amoy and Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 26th September, at 1 P.M. Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

RATES OF PASSAGE. From Hongkong, First-class, To San Francisco, Vancouver, Victoria, Esquimaux, New Westminster, Port Townsend, Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, O., To Liverpool and London, 325.00 To Paris and Bremen, 345.00 To Havre and Hamburg, 335.00 Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials.

Passengers by this line have the option of proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Return Tickets.—First Class.—Prepaid return tickets to San Francisco will be issued at following rates: 4 months, \$337.50 12 months, \$393.75

Time is reckoned from date of issue to date of re-embarkation at San Francisco.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Ports beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 72, Queen's Road Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent, Hongkong, 21st September, 1891. [12]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAYS ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1891.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Empress of Japan, Tuesday, 1 Oct. 15th. Empress of China, Tuesday, 11 Nov. 10th. Empress of India, Tuesday, 1 Dec. 8th.

THE R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN," 5,000 tons, Captain G. A. Lee, R.N.R., sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 15th Oct., with Her Majesty's Mails, will proceed to VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, inland Sea, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. the day before sailing, in full value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Ports beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

Commercial.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—175 per cent. prem. buyers.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$95 per share, buyers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$66 per share, sellers.
 North China Insurance—Tia. 255 per share, sellers.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$107 per share, sellers.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—Tia. 70 buyers.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tia. 150 per share.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$320 per share, sellers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$87 per share, sales and buyers.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$81 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$33 per share, sales and buyers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—60 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$131 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$65 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$501.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—30 per cent. discount, sales and buyers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$40 per share, sellers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$165 per share, sellers.
 Luon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$53 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$86 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$75 per share.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$7 per share, sellers.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$10 per share, ex div., sales and buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884—B—21 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884—C—5 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886—E—14 per cent. premium.
 Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$107 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—\$45 per share, nominal.
 Poon and Sanyue Dna Samanin Mining Co.—\$1 per share, sales and buyers.
 The Rand Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$6.60 per share, buyers.
 Inuyi Mining Co., Limited—\$8 per share, sales.
 The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$4 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$70 per share, sales and sellers.
 Tongkin Coal Mining Co.—\$365 per share, sales and buyers.
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$65 per share, buyers.
 H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$48 per share, buyers.
 Crickbank & Co., Limited—\$35 per share, nominal.
 The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.
 The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.
 The China-Borneo Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sales.
 The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$12 per share, sellers.
 The Green Island Cement Co.—\$10 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$76 per share, sales and sellers.
 The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$44 per share, sellers.
 Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$15 per share, sellers.
 The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$26 per share, sellers.
 The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Limited—\$4 per share, sellers.
 The Labak Planting Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.
 The Jelebu Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$41 per share, buyers.
 The Selama Tin Mining Co., Limited—30 cents per share, sellers.
 The Shamshon Hotel Co., Limited—nominal.
 The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$14 per share, sellers.
 The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—\$16 per share, nominal.
 The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$145 per share, nominal.
 London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ltd.—\$15, sellers.
 The National Bank of China, Ltd.—45 per cent. div., sales and buyers.
 The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$180 per share, sales and buyers.

EXCHANGE.

On London—Bank, T. T. 115
 Bank Bills, on demand 115
 Bank Bills, at 4 months sight 115
 Credits at 4 months sight 115
 Documentary Bills, at 4 months sight 115
 On Paris—
 Bank, Bills, on demand 400
 Credits, at 4 months sight 400
 On India, T. T. 325
 On Demand 325
 On Shanghai—
 Bank, T. T. 75
 Private, 30 days sight 75

MAILS EXPECTED.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Rohilla*, with the outward English mail, left Singapore on the 20th instant at 8.30 p.m. and may be expected here on the 25th.
 The American Mail.
 The W. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, left Yokohama on the 23rd instant and may be expected here on the 29th.
 The Indian Mail.
 The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Widgeon*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 17th instant at 5 p.m. and is due here on the 24th.
 The Canadian Pacific Mail.
 The Canadian Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Empress of Japan*, with the next Canadian mail left Vancouver on the morning of the 10th instant, for Yokohama, Shanghai, and Hongkong, and is due here on the 1st proximo.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The China Shipper's Mutual S. N. Co.'s steamer *Hampshire*, from London and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 21st inst. and may be expected due at Penang on or about the 10th inst.
 The China Shipper's Mutual S. N. Co.'s steamer *Kalapa*, from London and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 21st inst. and may be expected due at Penang on or about the 10th inst.
 The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Tahiti*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 23rd instant and may be expected here on the 29th.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Lombardy* left Bombay on the 21st instant and is due here on the 8th proximo.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

23rd Sept., 1891.—At 4 p.m.

STATION.	Bar.	Therm.	Wind.	State.
Shanghai	30.0	75.0	SE	B
Amoy	30.0	75.0	SE	B
Swatow	30.0	75.0	SE	B
Hankow	30.0	75.0	SE	B
Yokohama	30.0	75.0	SE	B
Manila	30.0	75.0	SE	B
Cebu	30.0	75.0	SE	B
Colon	30.0	75.0	SE	B
San Francisco	30.0	75.0	SE	B
San Pedro de Macoris	30.0	75.0	SE	B
San Juan	30.0	75.0	SE	B

24th Sept., 1891.—At 10 a.m.

STATION.	Bar.	Therm.	Wind.	State.
Shanghai	30.0	75.0	SE	B
Amoy	30.0	75.0	SE	B
Swatow	30.0	75.0	SE	B
Hankow	30.0	75.0	SE	B
Yokohama	30.0	75.0	SE	B
Manila	30.0	75.0	SE	B
Cebu	30.0	75.0	SE	B
Colon	30.0	75.0	SE	B
San Francisco	30.0	75.0	SE	B
San Pedro de Macoris	30.0	75.0	SE	B
San Juan	30.0	75.0	SE	B

At 4 p.m. on the 24th the following notes were issued:—
 Typhoon warning China between Amoy and Swatow. The possibility of a heavy typhoon is indicated. It is probable that a heavy rain will fall, and a strong wind will blow from the south-east. It is recommended that ships should be kept close to the shore, and that the anchor should be let down. It is also recommended that the anchor should be let down, and that the anchor should be let down.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Geo. F. Watson & Co.'s Register, 24th Sept.)

Time.	Therm.	Bar.	Wind.	State.
8 a.m.	75.0	30.0	SE	B
11 a.m.	75.0	30.0	SE	B
2 p.m.	75.0	30.0	SE	B
5 p.m.	75.0	30.0	SE	B
8 p.m.	75.0	30.0	SE	B
11 p.m.	75.0	30.0	SE	B

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

CHEUNG-CHOW, British steamer, 1,213, Fred Webb, 23rd Sept.—Salmon 18th Sept. Rice, 18th Sept.
 CHANG-HO, British steamer, 1,015, H. Dinahall, 23rd Sept.—Peanut, 18th Sept. Rice, 18th Sept.
 MONKOT, British steamer, 850, Geo. Anderson, 24th Sept.—Bangkok 15th Sept. and Koh-si-chang 16th, Rice and Wood.—Yuen Fat Hong.
 PEKING, German steamer, 954, F. Schultz, 24th Sept.—Canton 23rd Sept. General.—Stemmen & Co.
 EMERALDA, British steamer, 996, G. A. Taylor, 24th Sept.—Manila 21st Sept. General.—Shewan & Co.
 CHI-YUEN, Chinese steamer, 1,112, C. R. Nall, 24th Sept.—Shanghai, via Amoy 20th Sept. General.—C. M. S. N. Co.
 CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
 TAI-CHUNG, German steamer, for Swatow, 24th Sept.
 Carl Friedrich, German ship, for New York, 24th Sept.
 Haploong, British steamer, for Swatow, 24th Sept.
 Kermans, British steamer, for Singapore, 24th Sept.
 Portland Lloyd, American bark, for San Francisco, 24th Sept.
 Stenka, British bark, for Hongkong, 24th Sept.
 Chuan-Ho-Kien, British steamer, for Amoy, 24th Sept.
 John Sanderford, British steamer, for Shanghai, 24th Sept.
 Pakshan, British steamer, for Swatow, 24th Sept.

DEPARTURES.

September 24, Yuhong, British steamer, for Canton.
 September 24, Duhon, German steamer, for Kobe, 24.
 September 24, Alkington, German steamer, for Shanghai.
 September 24, Owa, French steamer, for Shanghai, 24.
 September 24, Carmarthen, British steamer, for Nagasaki, 24.
 September 24, Phra Chom Klao, British steamer, for Swatow, 24.
 September 24, Kaiman, British steamer, for Swatow, 24.
 September 24, Tai-chung, German steamer, for Swatow, 24.
 September 24, Frey, Danish bark, for Canton, 24.
 September 24, Choyong, British steamer, for Shanghai.
 PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.
 Per *Alouette*, str. from Bangkok, 24th Sept. Sharp, and 99 Chinese.
 Per *Chang-Ho* Kien, str. from Penang, 24th Sept. 430 Chinese.
 Per *Erinwald*, str. from Manila, 24th Sept. 180 Chinese.
 DEPARTED.
 Per *Owa*, str. from Hongkong for Shanghai, 24th Sept. Mrs. M. Schults, Mrs. M. Oliveira, Messrs. T. Bernasconi, Lemmonier, and P. P. Remedios. From Marcellus, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Van Alst, Messrs. Schmidt, A. Thuermer, Yen Hai Ming, and Bayerl. From Marcellus, for Hlopa—Messrs. Harada and Shigoku. For Yokohama—Mr. and Mrs. Kameda, Mr. Wunsels, Messrs. Yamano Onchi, Lucien Harbert, Gustave Torres, O. Tomachi, Takabayashi, Sakuragi, Eickart, Ketto Go, Petyr Lucken, Wilman, and Depout.
 REPORTS.
 The Chinese steamship *Chai-yun* reports that she left Shanghai, via Amoy on the 20th instant. Experienced a heavy typhoon off Breaker Point. Lost deck cargo and two boats.
 The British steamship *Alouette* reports that she left Bangkok on the 17th instant, and Koh-si-chang on the 16th. Had moderate south-west, north-west and north-easterly winds and fine weather throughout. On the 22nd and 23rd high westerly wind.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Manila—Per *Elis* to-morrow, the 25th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
 For Mofu, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Portland (Oregon)—Per *Swatow* to-morrow, the 25th instant, at 2.00 P.M.
 For Shanghai—Per *Kowloon* to-morrow, the 25th instant, at 3.30 P.M.
 For Hongkong—Per *Clark* to-morrow, the 25th instant, at 3.30 P.M.
 For Swatow and Amoy—Per *Sikhan* on Saturday, the 26th instant, at 7.30 A.M.
 For Hothow and Halphong—Per *Haploong* on Saturday, the 26th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
 For Singapore, Samarang, and Sourabaya—Per *Tataris* on Saturday, the 26th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
 For Yokohama and San Francisco—Per *Oceanic* on Saturday, the 26th instant, at 0.30 P.M.
 For Europe, &c. &c.—Per *Darmstadt* on Sunday, the 27th instant, at 2.00 P.M.
 For Manila—Per *Erinwald* on Saturday, the 26th instant, at 3.30 P.M.
 For Shanghai—Per *Peking* on Saturday, the 26th instant, at 3.30 P.M.
 For Singapore—Per *Libelle* on Saturday, the 26th instant, at 3.30 P.M.
 For Hothow, Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Samarang, and Sourabaya—Per *Bornes* on Saturday, the 26th instant, at 3.30 P.M.
 For Kobe—Per *Guthrie* on Saturday, the 26th instant, at 5.00 P.M.
 For Bangkok—Per *Para Nang* on Tuesday, the 28th instant, at 9.30 A.M.
 For Singapore—Per *Oceanic* on Wednesday, the 30th instant, at 0.30 A.M.
 For Europe, &c. &c., India via Bombay—Per *Cathay* on Thursday, the 1st October, at 11.00 A.M.
 For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama—Per *Verona* on Friday, the 2nd October, at 11.30 A.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

ACTIV, Danish steamer, 355, H. Hygon, 21st Sept.—Macao 21st Sept. General.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
 AVON, British steamer, 1,055, T. Rowlin, 15th Sept.—Salmon 10th Sept. Rice.—Melchers & Co.
 CICERO, British steamer, 1,030, A. George, 18th Sept.—Salmon 12th Sept. Rice and Paddy.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
 CLARA, German steamer, 675, H. Island, 23rd Sept.—Halphong 17th Sept. and Hothow 21st, General.—A. R. Marry.
 ELIS, German steamer, 747, M. Jensen, 23rd Sept.—Canton 23rd September, General.—Wielor & Co.
 FAME, British steamer, 1,177, Elent Wm. G. Sanderford, R.N.R.—Hongkong Government tender.
 GUTHRIE, British steamer, 1,495, P. T. Himes, 21st Sept.—Sydney 20th August, Moreton Bay 21st, Townsend 3rd Sept. Thursday Island 6th, and Port Darwin 9th, General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 HADPHONG, French steamer, 874, Bousquet, 22nd Sept.—Halphong 19th Sept. and Hothow 21st, General.—Messageries Maritimes.
 HADPHONG, British steamer, 1,122, H. C. A. Harris, 21st Sept.—Foonchow 20th Sept. Amoy 21st and Swatow 22nd, General.—D. Laporte & Co.
 HOLMSTAD, German steamer, 1,103, T. Bruhn, 21st Sept.—Salmon 16th Sept. Rice and Paddy.—Tung Kee.
 JOHANN, German steamer, 427, H. Blage, 15th Sept.—Toumou 10th Sept. General.—Wielor & Co.
 JOHN SANDERFORD, British steamer, 2,010, Will Smith, 22nd Sept.—New York 23rd August, General.—Master.
 KWANLOKE, Chinese steamer, 1,508, R. L. Lincoln, 23rd Sept.—Canton 23rd Sept. General.—C. M. S. N. Co.
 KWILAN, British steamer, 1,035, Vardin, 22nd Sept.—Wuhu 17th September, Rice.—Butterfield & Swire.
 LANCLOT, British steamer, 1,164, J. Thomas, 23rd Sept.—Proboling 12th Sept. Sugar.—Tardine, Matheson & Co.
 LIBELLE, British steamer, 865, G. Gnat, 18th Sept.—Salmon 12th Sept. Rice.—E. C. Ray.
 OCEANIC, British steamer, 3,308, W. M. Smith, 15th Sept.—San Francisco 22nd August, and Yokohama 23rd September, Manila and General.—O. & O. S. S. Co.
 PAKHAN, British steamer, 835, T. Hamill, 20th Sept.—Bangkok 13th September, Rice and General.—Hop Hing Hong.
 PARTHA, British steamer, 2,035, Jno. Panten, R.N.R., 11th Sept.—Vancouver 20th Aug.—Yokohama 14th Sept. and Shanghai 9th General.—Doddwell, Carill & Co.
 PHRA NANG, British steamer, 1,021, W. H. Watson, 17th Sept.—Swatow 16th Sept. General.—Yuen Fat Hong.
 PICCOLI, German steamer, 875, Hass, 20th Sept.—Nagasaki 12th Sept. Coals.—Melchers & Co.
 PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stogard, 15th Sept.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
 RIVERDALE, British steamer, 1,311, J. Mooney, 15th Sept.—Nagasaki 16th Sept. Coals.—Mitsui Bishi Colliery.
 SERRAN, British steamer, 844, E. F. Stovell, 22nd Sept.—Salmon 18th Sept. General.—Kin Ty Loong.
 SUREN, British steamer, 1,630, H. F. Holt, 14th Sept.—Victoria, B.C., via Kobe 9th Sept. From London and Matchless.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 SWATOW, German steamer, 651, C. Blage, 23rd Sept.—Canton 23rd Sept. General.—Melchers & Co.
 TATARIS, German steamer, 1,570, W. Breitung, 20th Sept.—Samarang (Java), 11th Sept. Sugar.—Stemmen & Co.
 WIDMANG, British steamer, 1,517, A. de St. Croix, 23rd Sept.—Calcutta 5th Sept. Penang 13th and Singapore 17th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

A. H. SMITH, American ship, 1,472, Chas. Kendall, 12th Sept.—New York 21st May. Kerosene Oil.—Hewitt & Co.
 CARL FRIDRICH, German ship, 2,460, H. Frohlich, 10th July—Cardiff 21st March. Coals.—Melchers & Co.
 DOROTHEA, German bark, 310, August Cress, 16th Sept.—Bangkok 23rd Sept. General.—Chinese.
 ELIS, German ship, 1,375, Th. Pilger, 5th August—Cardiff 9th March. Coal.—Stemmen & Co.
 ERINWALD, Chinese bark, 457, Optim Examinations, 27th August—Shanghai 17th August, Ballast.—Order.
 HUI, British ship, 208, Shaw, 31st August. Geraldton, W.A., 16th August, Sandalwood, London.
 HARKI, Norwegian ship, 1,260, H. Hagen, 28th August—Shanghai 12th August, Ballast.—Reich, Brodman & Co.

HONGKONG—SAILING VESSELS.

Continued.

JESSOMDA, German bark, 883, Aug. Gesselmann, 25th July—Newcastle, N.S.W., 24th May. Coal.—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.
 KITTY, British bark, 803, Wilson, 21st July—Singapore 7th July, Timber.—D. Macao.
 MARIA, Spanish schooner, 51, Francisco Olonco, 6th July—Manila 18th June, Ballast.—Master.
 MARIE BERG, German bark, 536, H. Hindrichs, 26th August—Whampoa 25th August General.—Wielor & Co.
 N. PENDLETON, American ship, 1,385, J. N. Pendleton, 23rd August—New York 19th April. Kerosene Oil.—Shewan & Co.
 OIKETE, German bark, 461, H. R. Gonnard, 21st Sept.—Hankow 11th August, Ballast.—Wielor & Co.
 PORTLAND LLOYDS, American bark, 1,180, A. H. Forbes, 13th July—New York 16th March. Petroleum.—Shewan & Co.
 STANTFIELD, British bark, 590, J. Clark, 3rd July—Sourabaya 14th June, Ballast.—Captain.
 TARAPACA, British bark, 495, H. Kennett, 13th Sept.—Hongkong 1st Sept. Coal.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 WESTERN BILLS, American bark, 1,074, L. C. Sweeney, 4th Sept.—New York 14th May. Kerosene Oil.—Russell & Co.

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Alacrity, despatch-vessel, 1,700 tons, 3,180 h.p., guns, Commander Chas. H. Adair, Swatow.
 Caroline, corvette, 1,400 tons, 1,440 horse-power, 14 guns, Captain Clutterbuck, Hankow.
 Egeria, surveying ship, 740, Commander A. M. Field, Singapore.
 Eak, gunboat, 3rd-class, Coast Defence, 363 tons, 340 h.p., 3 guns, in reserve.
 Firebrand, gunboat, 2nd-class, 455 tons, 460 horse-power, 4 guns, Lieut.-Commander J. Denton, Foonchow.
 Hyacinth, cruiser, 3rd-class, 1,420 tons, 1,100 h.p., 6 guns, Captain R. W. Craigie, on a cruise.
 Imperieuse, cruiser, 1st-class, 8,400 tons, 10,000 horse-power, 10 guns, Captain Edward S. Poe, Nagasaki.
 Leander, cruiser, 2nd-class, 4,300 tons, 5,500 h.p., 10 guns, Captain Burgess Watson, Shanghai.
 Linnet, gun-vessel, 2nd-class, 756 tons, 1,050 h.p., 5 guns, Commander V. A. Tisdall, Nagasaki.
 Mercury, cruiser, 3,730 tons, 2,900 horse-power, 13 guns, Captain Chas. J. Ballou, Shanghai.
 Peacock, gunboat, 1st-class, 750 tons, 1,200 horse-power, 6 guns, Lieut.-Commander Ingram, Wuhu.
 Pigmy, gunboat, 755 tons, 1,200 horse-power, 6 guns, Lieut.-Comdr. Hewitt, Wankong.
 Plover, gunboat, 1st-class, 755 tons, 1,200 horse-power, 6 guns, Lieutenant E. G. Rason, Amoy.
 Porpoise, steel torpedo cruiser, 1,770 tons, 3,500 horse-power, 6 guns, Commander Burr, Shanghai.
 Rattler, gunboat, 1st-class, 715 tons, 1,300 h.p., 6 guns, Lieutenant-Commander J. G. Hough, Singapore.
 Redpole, gunboat, 1st-class, 804 tons, 1,200 horse-power, 6 guns, Lieut.-Comdr. F. Wm. Freeman, Chinkiang.
 Severn, cruiser, 4,050 tons, 6,000 horse-power, 13 guns, Captain Wm. H. Hall, Shanghai.
 Solent, torpedo mining launch, 150, on a cruise.
 Swift, gun-vessel, 2nd-class, 756 tons, 1,010 h.p., 5 guns, Commander Robt. D. B. Bruce, Hankow.
 Tweed, gunboat, 3rd-class, 363 tons, 340 h.p., 3 guns, in reserve.
 Victor Emanuel, receiving ship, 5,157 tons, 14 guns, Commodore E. J. Church, Hongkong.
 Wivern, Coast Defence ship (armoured), 2,750 tons, 1,450 h.p., 4 guns, in reserve.

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA STATION.

Admiral Nakhimoff, Russian armoured cruiser, 8,000 tons, 8,000 horse-power, 32 guns, Captain Fedotoff, Singapore.
 Alouet, Russian gunboat, 800, Captain Pare-nego, Nagasaki.
 Alexandrine, German cruiser, 3,200 Captain Schindler, Yokohama.
 Alliance, American gunboat, 615, Captain H. G. Taylor, Yokohama.
 Aragon, Spanish cruiser, 1,903, Captain A. Soler, on a cruise.
 Aspic, French gunboat, 470 tons, 450 horse-power, 4 guns, Commander Journet, Kien-kiang.
 Chasseur, French despatch-vessel, Captain Bagard, Saigon.
 Dia, Portuguese gunboat, 706, Captain H. M. Gomes, Macao.
 Hilda, German gunboat, 489, Captain Ascher, Port Arthur.
 Inconstant, French gunboat, 800, Captain de Jonguefres, Hankow.
 Kongo, Japanese cruiser, 2,440, Captain Hidaka, Yokohama.
 Korymbos, Russian gunboat, 1,300, Captain Vladivostok.
 Leipzig, German cruiser, 3,800, Captain Rottger, Yokohama.
 Lelia, French gunboat, 485 tons, 425 horse-power, 4 guns, Captain Névy, Tonkin.
 Maadoun, Russian gun-vessel, 1,100 tons, 1,200 horse-power, 9 guns, Captain Kasa, Hankow.
 Marion, American corvette, 1,900 tons, 1,170 horse-power, 7 guns, Commander Dye, Kobe.
 Monocacy, American sloop, 1,370 tons, 1,470 horse-power, 6 guns, Lieut.-Commander M. L. Johnson, Nagasaki.
 Omaha, American corvette, 2,400 tons, 1,150 horse-power, 12 guns, Captain Cromwell, Yokohama.
 Palos, American gunboat, 420 tons, 520 horse-power, 6 guns, Lieut.-Commander Craig, Foonchow.
 Flavier, French gunboat, 540 tons, 420 horse-power, Lieut.-Commander Lepied, Foonchow.
 Reina Cristina, Spanish cruiser, 3,000, Captain Inglis, Manila.
 Rio Lina, Portuguese gunboat, 540, Captain J. R. Santa Barbara, Hongkong.
 Sirovitch, Russian cruiser, 600 tons, 1,000 horse-power, 1 gun, Commander Plakier, Amoy.
 Sophie, German cruiser, 2,100, Captain Herbling, Yokohama.
 Swataner, American corvette, Commander John McGowan, Kobe.
 Tejo, Portuguese gunboat, 500 tons, 100 horse-power, 3 guns, Lieut.-Commander C. R. Caminha, Macao.
 Triphonite, French cruiser, 4,500, Captain de Comille, Vladivostok.
 Villars, French cruiser, Captain—Thomas, Vladivostok.
 Vipere, French gunboat, 428 tons, 425 horse-power, 4 guns, Commander Contollos, on a cruise.
 Volturno, Italian gunboat, 346, Captain Royle, Shanghai.
 Vladimir Monomakh, Russian ironclad, 8,000, Captain Dombass, Vladivostok.
 Wolf, German gunboat, 340 horse-power, Captain Holthoff, Taiwan.

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